

Executive Registry

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Strategic Warning

1. At the luncheon which you had with the Deputy Directors on 17 July 1968, there was a short discussion about the adequacy of our current strategic warning facilities and procedures. You asked for a report on the status of the discussions which [] has been conducting with representatives of the community about the findings and recommendations [] Report. [] discussions have been carried on with a group (the Strategic Warning Working Group) which was formally established in September of 1967 under his chairmanship with representatives from DIA, NSA, State and CIA. I am attaching a memorandum prepared by [] which highlights some of the important developments relating to the early warning situation.

2. Of particular importance in this regard is the Note which USIB inserted in NIE 11-10-66 at the time of its approval. This Note is quoted in full in the attached memorandum.

3. It would seem to me that the next step would be to formulate a CIA position concerning what steps, if any, should be taken to improve our strategic warning posture, and I have asked [] to take this matter up with the DDCI.

/s/ John A. Bross

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